

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT
House Bill No. 250 By Representative Morris

June 23, 2011

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 250 by Representative Morris, recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

1. That Senate Floor Amendments No. 1 through 4 proposed by Senator Broome and adopted by the Senate on June 13, 2011, be rejected.

Respectfully submitted,

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Senator Joe McPherson

Representative Nita Rusich Hutter

Senator Sharon Weston Broome

Representative Brett F. Geymann

Senator Mike Walsworth

DIGEST

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Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

TRANSPORTATION: Restructures offices within DOTD

Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:

1. Establishes and provides for the Housing and Transportation Planning and Coordinating Commission as an advisory committee within DOTD.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Present law provides that DOTD shall be composed of several offices including the office of planning and programming and the office of public works and intermodal transportation.

Proposed law renames the office of planning and programming as the office of multimodal planning.

Proposed law eliminates the office of public works and intermodal transportation and transfers its duties to the office of multimodal planning and the office of engineering.

Present law provides for the officers of DOTD to include an assistant secretary of planning and programming and an assistant secretary of public works and intermodal transportation.

Proposed law renames the assistant secretary of planning and programming as the assistant secretary of multimodal transportation.

Proposed law eliminates the position of assistant secretary of public works and intermodal transportation and provides for his duties to be completed by the chief engineer and the assistant secretary of multimodal planning.

Proposed law provides that the duties of the office of public works and intermodal transportation relating to the public works functions of the state related to flood and drainage control, reclamation, water resources, soil conservation, mapping, disaster relief, and the National Flood Insurance Program will be under the auspices of the office of engineering.

Proposed law provides that the duties of the office of public works and intermodal transportation relating to aviation, public transportation, public mass transit, and railroad and water transportation systems will be under the auspices of the office of the multimodal planning.

(Amends R.S. 36:501(C)(1), 502(A) and (B), 508(A), 508.1(A), (B), (E), and (F); Repeals R.S. 36:508.3)